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Organizing the Study Effort



MISSION:

• To objectively and adequately analyze the available alternative delivery systems for construction projects and their applicability to Montana per the request of HJR 28 of the 58th Legislative Session and present the results to the 59th Legislature.

GOALS:

- Define "best-value" contracting.
- Define the current state of construction procurement in Montana.
- Garner a wide-range of participation from "stakeholders" in the state.
- Gather and introduce data from as many sources as deemed viable.
- Accurately analyze and present the findings without bias to any particular methods.

DIRECTION:

- Identify stakeholders and participants.
- Develop surveys for the Montana design profession and construction industry to provide their input.
- Contact public and private entities regarding their procurement procedures, guidelines, and laws.
- Attend conferences that present the alternative delivery processes available to gather an appropriate understanding of their application.
- Meet with parties as appropriate to discuss avenues of research.

PLANS:

See charts below.

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| RESEARCH/DATA | Target | Date | Responsible/Notes |
|---|--------|-----------|-------------------|
| GATHERING | Date | Completed | |
| Chair: Russ Katherman | | | |
| Define "best-value" construction contracting | | | |
| Identify the type of research and data | | | |
| necessary to be effective | | | |
| Identify the sources and organizations where | | | |
| data may be available | | | |
| Identify conferences, seminars, and/or | | | |
| speakers on alternative methods | | | |
| Identify financial impacts/needs (if any) for | | | |
| research/data gathering | | | |
| Sample contracts | | | |
| Publications | | | |
| Seminars | | | |
| Reproduction of findings/data | | | |
| Assign research and data gathering tasks with | | | |
| completion deadlines | | | |
| Gather all research and data | | | |
| Digest and summarize findings | | | |
| Present draft summary of findings to all | | | |
| participants | | | |
| Discuss findings, categorize data accordingly, | | | |
| and make recommendations for state practice | | | |
| Develop suggested practices and legislation; | | | |
| disseminate for review by participants | | | |
| Receive comments and additional suggestions | | | |
| Finalize recommendations for presentation to | | | |
| the 59th Legislature | | | |
| Suggested Public Entities: | | | |
| • Federal (GSA) | | | |
| • States | | | |
| • Universities | | | |
| Cities/Municipalities/Counties | | | |
| Suggested Private Entities: | | | |
| Large construction firms | | | |
| Montana contractors | | | |
| Montana design firms | | | |
| Suggested Associations: | | | |
| • DBIA | | | |
| • AGC | | | |
| • AIA/PES | | | |
| • COAA | | | |
| AAA (for dispute resolution) | | | |
| Construction Institute | | | |
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| STUDY GROUP MEMBERS | Target | Date | Responsible/Notes |
|---|--------|-----------|-------------------|
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| Possible Participating Groups: | | | |
| Montana Contractors Association | | | |
| AIA of Montana | | | |
| Engineers Council of Montana | | | |
| Montana Technical Council | | | |
| Legal Profession | | | |
| Sureties/Insurers | | | |
| Legislators | | | |
| Other State Agencies | | | |
| Determine Participating Groups | | | |
| Contact Groups to determine interest and | | | |
| participants | | | |
| Identify Individual Participants | | | |
| Develop Contact List | | | |
| Contact participants regarding meetings, | | | |
| surveys, data gathering | | | |
| Identify those who will assist in research and | | | |
| data gathering | | | |
| Assign research and data gather tasks with | | | |
| completion dates | | | |
| Identify those who will assist in analysis of the | | | |
| data and developing report of findings | | | |
| Identify those who will review the summary of | | | |
| findings recommendations | | | |
| Identify those who will present findings to the | | | |
| 59 th Legislature | | | |
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| MEETINGS | Target | Date | Responsible/Notes |
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| Chair: Russ Katherman | Date | Completed | |
| Need to identify participating groups and then individuals | | | |
| Identify financial impacts/needs (if any) for | | | |
| meetings | | | |
| Lodging | | | |
| Travel | | | |
| Per diem | | | |
| Meeting locations | | | |
| Identify meeting locations | | | |
| First Meeting: define mission, goals, assign | | | · |
| research/data gathering tasks, contractor | | | |

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| concerns, design profession concerns, schedule, | | |
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| and end-product to be provided to the 59th | | |
| Legislature. | | |
| Maintain periodic contact with participants to ensure progress is being | | |
| made in gathering data | | |
| Gather data into summary findings; make copies of all pertinent data | | |
| Issue summary findings to all | | |
| participants for review and comment | | |
| Second Meeting: present summary of findings; | | |
| discuss comments, revisions, need of further | | |
| research, schedule, and end-product to be | | |
| provided to the 59th Legislature. | | |
| Revise summary findings per meeting | | |
| Prepare draft of final document | | |
| Issue revised summary for review and comment | | |
| Third Meeting: completion of final draft, | | |
| finalize strategy for presentation to the 59th | | |
| Legislature | | |
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| RESULTS REPORTING | Target | Date | Responsible/Notes |
|--|--------|-----------|-------------------|
| Chair: Russ Katherman | Date | Completed | |
| Identify the format of what is to be presented | | | |
| to the legislature | | | |
| Identify the participants presenting the | | | |
| findings to the legislature | | | |
| Quality of materials? | | | |
| Format of materials? | | | |
| Reproduction costs? | | | |
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